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TO AMB DENT FROM UNDER SECRETARY ROBINSON

1. BRAZILIAN OFFICIALS WHOM I MET STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF MTN AND OF TOKYO DECLARATION CONCERNING DIFFERENTIAL TREATMENT FOR LDC'S. BRAZILIANS WISHED TO PLAY CONSTRUCTIVE ROLE BUT ARE INCREASINGLY FRUSTRATED OVER WHAT THEY PERCEIVE AS SNAIL'S PACE OF NEGOTIATIONS AMONG DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND LACK OF ATTENTION BY "BIG BOYS" TO LDC PROBLEMS. THEY ARE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED THAT WHEN PACE OF NEGOTIATIONS PICKS UP, GOOD INTENTIONS OF TOKYO DECLARATION WILL BE FORGOTTEN. THEY URGE THAT US AGREE AT TNC TO MAKE A SPECIAL EFFORT TO MOVE RAPIDLY ON DEFINING SPECIAL AND DIFFERENTIAL TREATMENT IN AREAS BEYOND TROPICAL PRODUCTS. SPECIFICALLY, AMBASSADOR CABRAL DE MELLO, CHIEF OF THE FONMIN'S ECONOMIC DEPARTMENT, URGED THAT DEVELOPED COUNTRIES COME LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FORWARD WITH SOME FAVORABLE RESPONSE TO LDC PROPOSALS AND

NOT CONTINUE TO BE SOLELY PREOCCUPIED WITH PROBLEMS AMONG THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. ESTABLISHMENT OF SOME POSITIVE MEASURES OR DIFFERENTIAL RULES WOULD BE VERY USEFUL FOR NORTH-SOUTH RELATIONS IN OVERALL POLITICAL CONTEXT.

2. BRAZILIAN ATTITUDE ON OVERALL AMELIORATION OF NORTH-SOUTH RELATIONS AND SPECIFIC RELAUNCHING OF PREPCON AND ESTABLISHMENT OF THREE COMMISSIONS SHOLD BE MOST HELPFUL IN OUR ATTEMPTS TO HEAL NORTH-SOUTH BREACH. REALIZING YOU HAVE MANY OFTEN CONFLICTING PRIORITIES TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT, I DO NOT WANT TO MAKE SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATION. HOWEVER, SOME FAVORABLE RESPONSE TO BRAZILIAN ASPIRATIONS AS ARTICULATED IN THEIR PROPOSALS ON DIFFERENTIAL TREATMENT FOR LDC'S IN YOUR TNC SPEECH NEXT WEEK WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL IN ATTAINING OUR OVERALL POLICY OBJECTIVES. CRIMMINS

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